

BOARD OF FINANCE

June 16, 2010

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Board of Finance held at 7:00 P.M., on Wednesday, June 16, 2010.

Members Present: First Selectman Freda, Mr. Monico, Mr. Hallahan, Mr. Pieper, Ms. Vissicchio, Mr. Lianos, Mr. Kohlhepp

Also Present: Director of Finance Edward J. Swinkoski

The following materials were either mailed to the members prior to this meeting or distributed at this time.

1. Agenda – June 9,, 2010
2. Minutes of the Special Meeting held on May 26, 2010
3. Tax Collector's Suspense List
4. Resolution, Police Department Replacement Vehicle
5. Memo dated June 1, 2010, FY 2010-2011 Budget
6. Decrement List dated May 26, 2010
7. Revised Budget dated May 26, 2010
8. Letter dated June 8, 2010, McGladrey & Pullen – Audit FYE June 30, 2010

MINUTES

After a brief discussion of the Minutes of the Special Meeting held on May 26, 2010, Mr. Lianos moved their acceptance, seconded by Mr. Kohlhepp.

VOTE:	Freda- Yes	Monico - Yes	Hallahan - Yes
	Pieper - Yes	Vissicchio - Yes	Lianos - Yes
	Kohlhepp - Yes		

OLD BUSINESS

TAX COLLECTOR'S SUSPENSE LIST

Mr. Swinkoski distributed the Tax Collector's Summary for Transfer to the Suspense List, which includes uncollectible motor vehicle taxes including supplemental for Grand List year 2004 and personal property for Grand List years 2001 thru 2004. He said that the transfer list is a statutory requirement. Mr. Swinkoski explained that the Town had to write off \$361,546.54 due to the bankruptcy of Quebecor. When the bankruptcy notice was filed with the Town Clerk in 2008, the Town did not file a Proof of Claim in a timely manner and therefore is precluded by law from ever making a claim. Mr. Kohlhepp said that he would like to know how this happened and if the Town has any recourse. Mr. Monico and Mr. Freda said that they would look into the matter and report back to the Board in August.

Mr. Kohlhepp moved that the Suspense List dated June 14, 2010, be accepted.

Seconded by, Mr. Lianos.

VOTE:	Freda- Yes	Monico - Yes	Hallahan - Yes
	Pieper - Yes	Vissicchio - Yes	Lianos - Yes
	Kohlhepp - Yes		

FY 2010-2011 BUDGET – SET THE MILL RATE

Mr. Monico stated that the budget passed by 365 votes at the referendum held on June 15, 2010.

Mr. Lianos then moved that the Mill Rate for FY 2010-2011 be set at 26.18 mills at a collection rate of 97.75%. Seconded by, Ms. Vissicchio.

VOTE:	Freda- Yes	Monico - Yes	Hallahan - Yes
	Pieper - Yes	Vissicchio - Yes	Lianos - Yes
	Kohlhepp - Yes		

Mr. Kohlhepp wanted to know what reductions will be made to the budget due to the re-instatement of the leaf pickup program. Mr. Freda said that we need to find savings of \$266,000 in the public works department. He said that he is working with Lynn Sadosky to determine how savings can be achieved. \$68,000 in savings has been captured due to the elimination of accepting construction materials. He will have an update for the Board at the August meeting.

Mr. Kohlhepp said he would also like to see the reductions made in the cuts to the Board of Education budget at the August meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION, REPLACEMENT VEHICLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Mr. Monico explained that a police vehicle responding to a call was totaled due to water damage to the engine.

Mr. Lianos then moved the following:

RESOLVED, that an amount not to exceed \$19,000. be and it is hereby appropriated for the purpose of purchasing one (1) replacement vehicle for the Police Department; and, that the cost of same be defrayed by the expenditure of a portion of the current years' revenues

Seconded by, Mr. Pieper.

VOTE:	Freda- Yes	Monico - Yes	Hallahan - Yes
	Pieper - Yes	Vissicchio - Yes	Lianos - Yes
	Kohlhepp - Yes		

PUBLIC COMMENT

Discussion followed for approximately 20 minutes with residents asking questions and making recommendations.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Monico moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 PM, seconded by Ms. Vissicchio.

VOTE:	Freda- Yes	Monico - Yes	Hallahan - Yes
	Pieper - Yes	Vissicchio - Yes	Lianos - Yes
	Kohlhepp - Yes		